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MINUTES
OF THE
STATE CONVENTION
OF THE
BAPTIST DENOMINATION
IN
SOUTH-CAROLINA,

AT ITS SIXTEENTH ANNIVERSARY, HELD IN GREENVILLE, DECEMBER 10th,
AND CONTINUED TO DEC. 13th, A. D. 1836.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Br. H. D. Duncan, from Mark xvi. 20; on the nature and necessity of divine influence accompanying the preached word.

The credentials of delegates being presented, the following names were enrolled: viz.

Charleston Association.—B. Manly, W. E. Bailey, T. J. Gantt, J. L. Reynolds,† N. Graham,† H. W. Mahoney,† E. Pringle,† A. Scarborough,† J. Morris,† J. Knighten.†

Edgefield Association.—W. B. Johnson, M. Mims, Z. Watkins, J. Trapp,† Z. Rudolph,† N. W. Hodges, J. M. Chiles, Jos. Griffin, R. G. Mays,† W. P. Hill.

Savannah River Association.—H. D. Duncan, W. A. Lawton, J. T. Robert, J. T. Sweat, I. L. Brookes, J. O'Bannon, D. Peebles,† H. Z. Ardis,† W. I. Harley, R. Bradford, J. Broome,† S. R. Gillison,† W. B. Deloach, A. E. Davant.†

Welsh Neck Association.—J. C. Furman, J. K. M'Iver,† D. R. W. M'Iver,† I. D. Wilson,† R. Napier,† W. Timmons,† D. M'Kay,† J. M. Timmons,† A. P. Lacoste,† J. Lauc,† T. P. Lide,† C. Stubbs,† W. Q. Beattie.†

Edisto Association.—W. Brooker,† T. Morris,† W. Johnson,† W. Milton,† J. G. O. Wilkinson,† A. H. Fort,† L. Hickson,† E. Prothro.†

† Absent.

Charleston Juvenile Missionary Female and Education Society.—
J. Harper,† H. Bailey †

Female Benevolent Society of Bethlehem, Edgefield District.—
Mount Moriah Female Missionary and Benevolent Society.—

Newbury Baptist Church.—M. T. Mendenhall, D. Nauce,† T. T. Sheppard, J. Hunt.†

Female Auxiliary Education Society of Edisto, Wadmalaw, and the adjacent main-land.—

Bush River Baptist Church.—

Longtown Female Society.—J. Davis, J. B. Furman,† A D Jones†

Bethel Society in the Bethel Association.—

Anderson District Missionary Society.—W. Magee, A. Rice, J. Kay.

Peniel Baptist Church.—A. M. Spalding, W. F. Baker.†

1 Elected W. B. Johnson, President, J. Davis, Vice President, and B. Manly, Secretary.

2. A letter was presented from the Rock Creek church, by Brn. J. Davis, and T. Yarborough.

From the Shiloh church, by Brn. T. M. Sloan, T. Dawson, G. Bowmar.

From New Hope church, by Brn. J. R. Smith, J. Grisham, M. Moss, J. Brewer.

These bodies were severally admitted as constituent members, and their delegates welcomed to seats.

3. Received a letter of correspondence from the Saluda association, by the hands of Brn. C. Gantt, Vandiver, Dawson, Rice, Martin, Magee, Cox, Spalding, Williams, Gambrell, Fant, King, Bohannon, Kay, and Sloan.

Also from the Twelve Mile River association, by the hands of Brn. King, Wilson, Blythe, T. Roper, Fendley, Chadwick, Sutherland, Caps, Roper, Hawes, and Grisham.

From the Georgia Baptist convention, a letter, the messengers having failed to attend.

The brethren of these delegations who attended, also brethren Posey, Stevens, Acker, Wallace, Green, Cooper, Gibson, and Wood visiting ministers, were cordially welcomed to seats.

4. Received a letter from Rev. J. E. Welch, in relation to Sunday school agencies in S. C. Ordered to lie on the table.

Also a letter from the Head of Enoree church, conveying a donation of \$18 for the Burman mission, by the hands of Brn. Robinson, Winn, and Roe, who were affectionately invited to seats.

Also copy of minutes from the N. Y. Baptist State convention, the Baptist General Tract society, and the Baptist Board of Foreign Missions.

Also a letter from the General Committee for the Charleston Association Fund, containing a specification of their funds which they consider pledged for the maintenance of a Professorship, in the Furman Theological Institution; referred to the committee on accounts.

Also a letter from Br. J. Du Pre respecting the state of the library ; referred to the board of trustees.

5. The president announced the following committees :

To arrange the preaching—the pastor and deacons of the Greenville church, together with Brn. A. J. Lawton and J. Grisham.

On accounts—M. Mims, J. O'Bannon, A. Rice, T. J. Gantt, M. T. Mendenhall.

On corresponding minutes—W. A. Lawton, I. L. Brookes, M. Moss, J. C. Furman, J. M. Chiles.

6. Br. M. Mims made a report as to the sale of the house and lot in Edgefield ; referred to the committee on accounts.

7. Appointed Br. Chiles to write to the Saluda association, and Brn. Hodges and Chiles as messengers.

Br. J. C. Furman to write to the Georgia Baptist convention, and brethren Magee, Rice, Grisham, Dawson, Spalding, Chiles, Brookes, Davis and Smith as messengers.

Br. Robert to write to the N. C. convention, and brethren Furman, Napier and D. R. W. M'Iver, as messengers.

Br. Mendenhall to write to the Twelve mile River association, and brethren Magee, Dawson, Rice and Gibson as messengers.

Brethren Johnson and Brookes to attend as messengers from this body, if convenient, on the next session of the American Baptist Home mission society.

8. Appointed brethren Duncan, Gantt, Griffin, Furman, Sheppard, Davis, Magee, Spalding, Brewer and Dawson, a committee to propose a place for the next meeting of this body ; and brethren A. J. Lawton, Mendenhall, and Rice to nominate the ministers who shall perform the stated services on that occasion.

Also appointed brethren Robert, Watkins, Hill, Grisham and Harley a committee to nominate a list in order to the election of a board of agents.

Adjourned to Monday morning 10 o'clock, with prayer from Br. Spalding.

Public worship was begun on Sunday with a sermon, by Br. J. C. Furman, from 2 Cor. v. 17, describing the christian as to *the condition he occupies, and the character he bears*. Br. James M. Chiles followed with the charity sermon, from Matt. xxiv. 14, in which were presented, the *necessity* and *suitableness* of the gospel to human nature, and our obligations and encouragements to send it to all men. A public collection was then taken from the congregation amounting to about \$70.

In the afternoon Br. W. B. Johnson gave an exposition of the plan of salvation by grace through faith in Christ, from Eph. ii. 8—10. After which, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by brethren W. A. Lawton and H. Posey, who accompanied the distribution with appropriate remarks. Br. B. Manly closed the services at night with a sermon from Phil. iii. 8, on "the excellency of the knowledge of Christ."

Monday Morning.—The convention met ; prayer by Br. B. King.

9. On motion of Br. Furman, *Resolved*, that the president be requested to reply to Br. J. E. Welch, and inform him that the relations of this body, to the ministers in its connection, are such that we are not able to give him any information that may subserve his purpose.

10. The committee to examine corresponding minutes reported that they find nothing new suggested to this body, demanding special notice.

11. The letter to the Saluda Association was presented, adopted, and signed.

12. The committee to suggest the place for the next meeting of convention, reported in favor of *Edgefield*, on the Saturday before the second Lord's day in December, 1837, concurred in. On the report of another committee, the following brethren were appointed to perform the stated services, viz. To preach the introductory sermon, Br. J. B. Furman, and Br. A. M. Spalding, in case of failure; for the charity sermon, Br. R. Fuller, and Br. J. T. Robert, in case of failure.

13. On the report of the committee to nominate a list for the board of agents, the following were appointed: W. B. Johnson, B. Manly, J. Davis, A. J. Lawton, N. W. Hodges, A. D. Jones, M. T. Mendenhall, and the treasurer ex officio.

14. The committee to prepare rules of order, appointed at the last session, presented a report, which was considered article by article, adopted, with some amendments, and ordered to be printed with the minutes.

15. The board of agents reported, by reading their whole minutes, including the agent's statement of collections and accounts. The agent's statement was referred to the committee on accounts, and the report of the board was concurred in. Ordered to be printed with the minutes of convention.

16. Rules for the government of the Furman institution, were presented by the board of trustees; which were considered at length, and adopted with some amendments. Also, committed these rules to the secretary of the board of trustees, to prepare them for publication, and ordered them to be printed with these minutes.

17. The communication from the Georgia Baptist convention, relative to union in the support of a literary college, and of a theological institution, was committed to Br. Johnson, Davis, Hodges, and Manly, to report to-morrow.

Adjourned, with prayer from Br. Magee.

Tuesday Morning.—The convention was opened with prayer from Br. Davis.

18. The committee on the communication from the Georgia Baptist convention, reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the feelings of this body remain unchanged, in regard to a union of interests and efforts, in promoting literary and theological education; and that our messengers to the Georgia convention be instructed to ask a committee of conference, during the next session of that body, with the view to ascertain in what par-

ulars, and how far they think co-operation between the Baptists of the two States, practicable or desirable; and invite them to send commissioners, with instructions, to our next meeting. This resolution was adopted.

19. The amount of the public collection on the Lord's day was ordered to be equally divided between the foreign mission and education funds.

20. Br. I. L. Brookes presented a memorial of the character and services of the late Rev. Luther Rice. Whereupon,

1. *Resolved*, That this convention regard the decease of this distinguished minister, as a loss to the church, and cherish the memory of his talents and virtues with admiration and affection. The events of his laborious life are matter of history, and his services are the inheritance of mankind. His frailties, such as they were, have descended with him to the tomb, extenuated and forgotten; while the useful and shining qualities of his character, needing not our eulogy, will continue to live, expanded upon the benevolent projects in which he labored and died.

2. *Resolved*, That as South Carolina has supplied to Luther Rice a grave, his friends in Carolina, will erect on the spot a suitable monument to his memory; and that W. B. Johnson, I. L. Brookes, and B. Manly, be a committee to carry this resolution into effect.

A contribution was immediately made, which, with some expected additions, will be amply sufficient.

22. The committee on accounts presented their report, which was accepted, and ordered to be printed.

As the treasurer's account last year was not printed, *Resolved*, that it be now published with the minutes.

Resolved, also, That brethren Manly, Bailey, and Gantt, be a committee to enquire, more particularly, into the state of the fund for founding a scholarship, raised by a female society of Charleston.

23. The committee of five, appointed last session, to organize a manual labor English and classical school, reported their doings, and the present state of the concern. It was referred to the board of agents, with instructions to make such appropriations, temporarily, as the present exigencies of the institution may demand; with the understanding, that all sums taken from a different fund, be soon returned with interest, and that for this purpose, an agent be employed to make collections of sums now due by subscription to the classical school.

24. *Resolved*, That the treasurer of this body be, and he is hereby authorized, with the concurrence of A. C. Smith, C. M. Furman, T. J. Gantt, and B. Manly, to sell, or otherwise dispose of the whole or any part of the stock belonging to this body, and to vest the same in a more profitable way.

25. *Resolved*, That the board of agents be instructed to take the most efficient means in their power toward the erection of buildings for the theological institution, so that the board of trustees may organize that department with the least possible delay. The following brethren are requested to use their best efforts in collecting funds specially for this object: J. B. Furman, J. Davis, W. P. Hill, W.

Magee, J. M. Chiles, Joseph T. Robert, T. Dawson, R. Bradford, I. L. Brookes, A. M. Spalding, W. A. Lawton, M. Mims.

26. *Resolved*, That as the treasurer's duties have now become very responsible and burdensome, this convention think he ought to receive some compensation for his services; and that it be committed to the board to decide on the mode and amount.

27. On motion, Br. Z. Watkins was appointed agent of this body to employ his whole time the ensuing year to forward the objects of our institution; and that five hundred dollars be allowed him as his compensation.

28. Authorized the president to make titles to the purchaser of the house and lot in Edgefield, in accordance with the report of M. Mims, on that subject.

39. Committed to the secretary the publication of the usual number of these minutes.

30. Voted, unanimously, that this body entertain a grateful sense of the abundant provision made, and the cordial welcome given, in the entertainment of this body, and of its friends, during the present session.

Br. Hodges prayed, and the convention adjourned.

W. B. JOHNSON, *President*.

B. MANLY, *Secretary*.

MINUTES

OF THE

BOARD OF AGENTS.

Charleston, Dec. 17, 1835.

The board met; present all the members, viz. J. Davis, W. B. Johnson, A. Rice, A. D. Jones, W. E. Bailey, A. J. Lawton, N. W. Hodges, and B. Manly.

On motion, Br. J. Davis took the chair, and B. Manly was requested to act as secretary.

1. *Resolved*, That the board be organized, by the election of a chairman and secretary. On counting the votes, W. B. Johnson was elected chairman, and B. Manly, secretary.

2. The account of the agent was called for and presented. Voted, that eight hundred dollars, (\$800,) be paid Br. Hodges, the agent, as his compensation for services during the year.

3. Voted, also, to pay an account for postage incurred by the president in correspondence on the subject of manual labor schools.

4. Ordered, that the treasurer pay over all the monies in his hands, for a manual labor school, into the hands of A. D. Jones, Esq. the treasurer of the board of trustees.

5. Requested B. Manly and C. Burckmyer, to attend to the execution of the treasurer's bond.

6. Committed to the committee for organizing the manual labor school, the business of providing for the collection of sums subscribed for that school.

7. Appointed Br. James C. Furman general agent to collect funds for the theological institution. Br. Furman, being consulted, expressed a disposition to comply with the wishes of this board, provided the consent of his church should be obtained. It was, therefore, *Resolved*, that the secretary address a respectful letter to the Welsh Neck church, and ask their concurrence.

In case Br. Furman should accept the appointment, it is understood that his engagement be for a year, and that the compensation be at the rate of \$1000 per annum.

8. Ordered, that the treasurer pay to the late professors, all the funds in his hands collected on the scholarship plan, in proportion to the amounts due them.

9. Ordered that an account of two (\$2,50,) dollars and fifty cents, for printing blank bonds be paid.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow.

December 18, 1836.

Present—W. B. Johnson, J. Davis, N. W. Hodges, and W. E. Bailey.

10. Requested the treasurer to make the best disposition in his power of the building erected for the institution in Sumter district.

11. Requested Br. A. D. Jones to have the books, apparatus, and other moveables, of the institution, packed and kept in safety until the institution is ready to receive them at the new location.

Adjourned.

Fairfield District, May 10, 1836.

The board met; present, W. B. Johnson, A. D. Jones, A. J. Lawton, J. Davis, W. E. Bailey.

12. Br. N. W. Hodges was requested to continue his services, as agent, to the end of the year.

Adjourned.

Greenville, December 9, 1836.

The board met; present W. B. Johnson, J. Davis, W. E. Bailey, A. J. Lawton, and B. Manly.

13. *Resolved*, That the committee to take the treasurer's bond be allowed further time.

14. As the board have not heard whether the library and other property of the convention, have been removed from the late site of the institution; *Agreed*, to recommend that correspondence be immediately had with Br. A. D. Jones on the subject.

15. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the convention to deliver up to Br. Mims and Miller, former treasurers, their respective bonds.

16. Voted, to report to the convention, by reading our whole minutes, and the statement of the agent: and adjourned *sine die*.

W. B. JOHNSON, *Chairman*.

B. MANLY, *Secretary*.

FOR THE FURMAN INSTITUTION AND MANUAL LABOR SCHOOL.

*Moneys received by N. W. Hodges, agent, in 1835 and 1836,
with the names of contributors.*

Y. J. Harrington, 110, D. Nance, 110,	\$220 00
M. T. Mendenhall, 120, Thos. Pratt, 55,	175 00
J. B. O'Neal, 110, J. S. Carwile, 70,	180 00
Wm. Wilson, 30, S. C. Harrington, 45,	75 00
Job Johnston, 20, Carey Pitts, 10,	30 00
J. K. Griffin, 105, B. F. Griffin, 55,	160 00
Jesse Garey, 10, J. K. Garey, 5, C. G. Garey, 7,	22 00
H. W. Garey, 5, Elizabeth Garey, 5, Elizabeth Black- burn, 5, Thos. Dalrymple, 2,	17 00
Allen Andrews, 20, Nancy Caldwell, 20,	40 00
Nancy Waddington, 20, Taplow Harris, 15,	35 00
M. Suber, 10, Wm. Noland, 50, J. L. Edmonds, 10, Thos. Rutherford, 10,	80 00
Wm. Whitmire, 10, Vincent Gordon, 15, Benj. Maybin, 10, Jesse Maybin, 25,	60 00
Davis Caldwell, 50, J. C. Jeter, 50, L. B. Jeter, 10, Fer- dinand Scaife, 20, Chas. Scaife, 20,	150 00
Frances Bobo, 20, T. N. Dawkins, 10, Mrs. Jos. Gist, 50, Nathaniel Gist, 50, Thomas Woodruff, 10,	140 00
H. P. Woodruff, 5, C. P. Woodruff, 5, R. M. Young, 10, Thomas P. Brockman, 15,	35 00
Archibald Young, 15, John Young, 10, William. Parks, 5, Allen Barksdale, 20, William Hill, 55,	105 00
Thomas F. Jones, 50, W. G. Davis, 5, J. Nickels, 10, Jas. Wright, 5, Richard Watts, 3, E. Watson, sen. 10,	83 00
Fed. Nance, jr. 40, James A. Ware, 40, Nathan Calhoun, 20, J. A. Johnson, 5, J. Bunting, 5,	110 00
R. M. Todd, 25, Robert Child, 20, J. H. Wells, 6, W. B. Smith, 15, Doct. R. Griffin, 10,	76 00
Wm. N. Moore, 10, Thos. Lake, 20, Elias Lake, 10, F. Lake, 5, A. Stallsworth, 10, J. McKellar, 3,	58 00
Vin. Griffin, 100, S. Perryman, 50, Joseph Wardlaw, 100, Richard Griffin, 100, L. Griffin, 35,	385 00
L. Reynolds, 50, Wm. Smith, 50, J. D. Adams, 20, S. Crews, 10, Joel Smith, 20, Lucy Smith, 50,	200 00
L. Barmore, 5, Wm. Barmore, 5, E. Barmore, 5, Abner Magee, 5, E. Rasor, 5, James Rasor, 5,	30 00

Abner Perrin, 20, J. M. Chiles, 30, Jno. Chiles, 40, Wm. Chiles, 10, L. A. Brooks, 20, Thos. Morton, 60, E. J. Talbert, 18, W. T. Brannon, 5, H. Quarles, 5,	208 00
A. Waller, 100, T. Ferguson, 5, A. Trailer, 4, W. P. Hill, 1, L. Devore, 20, T. I. Hibbler, 5,	135 00
R. Lanier, 5, C. Holloway, 5, C. Hardy, 6, A. Adams, 5, Js. Blocker, 5, Dan. Bronson, 20, Wm. Bronson, 20,	64 00
Mary Tutt, 20, J. M. Prothro, 10, R. T. Mims, 20, N. L. Griffin, 55, C. J. Johnson, 5,	110 00
Jacob Smith 25, Matilda Smith, 5, Geo. Pope, 20, J. Jennings, 5, S. Nicholson, 15,	70 00
R. G. Mays, 50, J. C. Reedy, 5, Robert Maxwell, 10, Thos. J. Coleman 10, Jones Coleman, 4,	79 00
Jos. Griffin, 20, M. Bonham, 5, John Allen, 5, Jas. T. Adams, 5, Samuel Cartledge, jr. 10, John Hill, 5, Garland Goode 25, Wm. Daniel, 2, B. Rudolph, 5, H. Lowe, 5, A. Female, 2,	89 00
L. Watson, 120, James F. Watson, 120,	240 00
Aller Dozier, 20, I. L. Brookes, 70, Anne Williams, 5, Jonathan Miller, 10, H. Z. Ardis, 25, R. Bradford, 35,	165 00
Jas. Furze, 10, J. G. Brown, 10, Jenn. O'Bannon, 20, S. H. Butler, 20, B. H. Brown, 20, J. G. Duncan, 10, J. Trotti, 10, A. Patterson, 5,	105 00
E. Bellinger, jr. 10, L. M. Ayer, 10, Mary Dicks, 5, C. K. Ayer, 5, C. H. Rice, 5, R. Kirkland, 5, E. Hickson, 5,	45 00
Casper Staley, 20, Levi Hickson, 20, Wm. Prothro, 20, Wm. Merritt, 5,	65 00
Am. Rice, 20, Wm. Magee, 10, Michael Magee, 10, M. Gambrel, 5, E. Webb, 5, S. McCully, 3, Jas. Wilson, 5, Wes. Brooks. 25, E. Waddell, 10,	93 00
T. A. Rabb, 5, Osmund Woodward, 25, Jas. Owens, 10, Jas. T. Owens, 5, Jas. Lyles, 5, Ben. Robertson, 5, W. K. Davis, 35, John Hutchinson, 5,	95 00
John Thompson, 5, Wm. Thompson, sen. 10, Ch. Thompson, 5, J. C. Keeaney, 5, Wm. Harper, 10,	35 00
Lucy Goodwyn, 30, Andrew Rochelle, 35, Jas. Rochelle, 5, Thos. Abbott, 5, Jas. A. Ross, 5, Mary Ross, 10, F. Brevard, 5, Thos. Robertson, 5, John Robertson, 5, R. Moore, 10,	115 00
—— Jenkins, 10, Theo. Randel, 10, Jno. Darby, 20, Jno. Balfour. 10, Dav. Atterbury, 5, Abner Wilkes, 8, Richard Wilkes, 5, W. E. Waters, 4, T. J. Vaughan, 2, Jno. Smith, 7, S. Morris, 4, Jesse Cornwell, 4, G. B. Montgomery, 5,	94 00
Thos. Dawson, 5, B. Burrows, 1, Col. Nesbit, 5, James Watts, 1,	12 00
Total,	4285 00

Amount brought over,	4295 00
Paid convention, Dec. 1835, (see Minutes 1835, head General Purposes.)	\$280
Cash in hand, of this amount, for general purposes,	350
General purposes,	<u>630 00</u>
Institution connected with manual labor,	3655 00
Paid W. E. Bailey, Treasurer, Dec. 1835,	448
“ A. D. Jones, Treasurer Board of Trustees, in March, 1836, and May, 1836,	1357
Paid building committee, Nov. 1836,	800
	<u>2605 00</u>
Cash remaining on hand,	1050 00
General purposes,	<u>350 00</u>

FOR THE MANUAL LABOR CLASSICAL SCHOOL.

*Monies received by N. W. Hodges, agent, in 1835, and 1836,
with the names of contributors.*

Robert Lyles, 10, F. B. Higgins, 25, Jas. D. Burton, 10, Wm. McMorris, 5,	50 00
James Caldwell, 10, R. S. Cannon, 10, James H. Hunt, 10, Geo. Calmes, 5, William Muckle, 10.	45 00
Burr Johnston, 10, John Williams, 10, Wm. Eddings, 10, B. J. Earle, 30, Charles Smith, 10,	70 00
Wm. B. Brooks, 25, Stan. Brooks, 30, B. Blocker, 5, Zeb. Rudolph, jr. 10, John W. Lewis, 5,	75 00
W. T. Robert, 5, and others at Union C. H. 15, N. M. Caldwell, 150, J. G. O. Wilkinson, 25,	46 50
L. Asbell, 1, Dr. Gates, 1, Ed Croft, 5, Jas. Pope, 5, J. Ramage, 5, Geo. M. Bates, 5, Wm. Daniel, 5, J. Cog- burn, 1, Eu. Burt, 1, B. Corley, 5, Robert Bryant, 5, S. Cheatham, 5, J. Terry, 5, Jasper Gibbs, 5, A Friend, 5,	59 00
Total,	<u>345 50</u>
Paid convention, Dec. 1835, (see Minutes 1835, head, Ma- nual Labor Classical School,)	148 75
Cash remaining,	<u>196 75</u>

PERMANENT FUND.

*Monies received by N. W. Hodges, agent, in 1835, and 1836,
and from whom received.*

J. M. Prothro, 20, F. B. Higgins, 20, Jas. D. Burton, 10,	50 00
Paid convention, Dec. 1835, (see Minutes,)	30 00
Cash remaining,	<u>20 00</u>

Amount brought over,	20 00
From sundry individuals through P. T. Hammond, on Barnes' subscription,	20 50
From others on Barnes' subscription,	10 00
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Permanent fund,	50 50

Rules of the State Convention of the Baptist denomination in South Carolina, for the transaction of its business.

1. The meeting of the Convention shall be opened and closed each day of its session, with prayer by the President, or by some person, whom he shall request to perform the service.

2. After prayer on the first day, the names of delegates shall be enrolled, officers shall be elected, and when the body is organized, applications for membership from new bodies be decided on, and if admitted, their attending delegates shall be received by the right hand of fellowship. The constitution of the convention and the rules of order shall be then read.

3. The minutes of the preceding day shall be read, to the end that mistakes, if any shall have been made, may be corrected.

4. Persons invited to seats in convention, shall have the privilege of speaking in debate, but not of voting.

5. The members of convention shall retain their seats, preserve silence, and refrain from conversation during the reading of the minutes, while the presiding officer is putting a question, or when any member is speaking in debate.

6. No member shall absent himself from the meeting of convention without permission.

7. Each member, when he speaks in debate, or has any communication to make to the convention, shall address the chair standing in his place, and when he has finished, he shall sit down.

8. No member shall speak oftener than twice, in any one debate, on the same day, without permission from the convention.

9. When two or more members rise nearly at the same time, to address the convention, the president shall name the one to speak, being the one who had first risen and addressed the chair. After he shall have spoken, those, who had risen with him, shall be heard, in the order of their rising, in priority of all others, should they still desire to be heard.

10. When a member shall be called to order, he shall sit down, until the chair determines, whether he is in order or not. An appeal, however, may be made from the decision of the chair, to the convention.

11. No motion shall be debated, nor the question upon it be put, unless it shall have been seconded; and then, if required, by the

president, or any member, it shall be reduced to writing, delivered in at the table, and read before the debate begins.

12. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit, or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they here stand arranged. Neither of these motions, with the exception of that to adjourn, after being decided, shall, be allowed again on the same day upon the same question.

13. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, except when a question is actually put, and the convention is engaged in voting.

14. If the question for debate contain several points, it may be divided at the request of any member.

15. In filling up blanks, the largest sum, and the longest time shall be first put.

16. When the question has been once made, and the vote taken, it shall be in order for any member in the majority to move for its reconsideration.

17. All questions shall be put by the president, and the members shall respectively signify their assent, by answering "Yea," and and their dissent, by answering "No." If the president or any member shall not be satisfied that the decision expressed by the ayes or noes is certainly ascertained; the president shall request those who voted in the affirmative, to rise and stand until they shall be counted. After these shall be seated, the president shall request those, who voted in the negative, to rise and stand till they should be counted. In the event of an equal division, the president shall have the casting vote.

18. When the president shall desire to be heard in debate, or to be temporarily absent, the chair shall be taken by the vice president, or in case of his absence by some member named by the president, until he shall resume his seat.

19. The following standing committees, to consist of five members each, shall be appointed by the president, at the commencement of each session: viz.

A committee to arrange the preaching during the meeting.

A committee on accounts.

A committee on the minutes and letters of corresponding bodies.

A committee on the Furman theological institution.

A committee on the manual labor classical school.

A committee on the place of meeting, and the persons, who shall preach the stated sermons of the convention's appointment.

20. The whole minutes shall be read over before the adjournment of the convention.

Constitution of the Furman Institution.

ARTICLE I.

The seminary of learning, supported by the State Convention of the Baptist denomination in South Carolina, shall be known and distinguished by the title of the Furman Institution; and shall consist of two tranches, to wit, a Theological Institution and an English and Classical School. There shall also be a manual labor department, under the direction of a farmer, for the benefit of the health of the students, and to aid in defraying the expenses of their education. Both branches shall be under the superintendence and government of a board of trustees, consisting of twenty-six members, to be elected by the convention, every fourth year, and to serve until a new election is made. The board shall be empowered to fill vacancies in their body.

ARTICLE II.

SEC. 1. For the orderly and efficient discharge of the duties intrusted to them, the board of trustees shall annually, at their stated meeting, elect the following officers, to wit, a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and an executive committee, consisting of three members.

SEC. 2. The president shall preside at the meetings of the board, and shall possess such other authorities, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by this constitution, or by the board in pursuance of the provisions thereof.

SEC. 3. In the absence of the president, the authorities and duties assigned to him, shall devolve upon the vice president, and in the absence of both, upon a president *pro tempore*, to be chosen by the board.

SEC. 4. The secretary shall record all the proceedings of the board in a substantial book, to be provided and kept by him for the purpose, which book shall at all times be open to the inspection of the members, and shall be exhibited to the convention at its meetings.

SEC. 5. The funds placed at the disposal of the board by the convention, shall be intrusted to the treasurer, who shall hold the same subject to the directions of the board. He shall also receive and hold, subject to the like directions, all other funds to which the board may in any way be entitled. He shall keep an exact account of his receipts and expenditures, which, together with the vouchers for the latter, shall be exhibited to the board annually, and at such other times as may be required. He shall enter into bond to the convention, with two good and sufficient sureties, in the sum of \$5000, for the faithful discharge of his trust; unless he be also treasurer of the convention, in which case no additional security shall be required of him as treasurer of the board of trustees. He shall pay no money out of the funds but by the order of the board, signed by the presiding officer.

SEC. 6. The executive committee, who must reside near the institution, shall be charged with the general supervision of its interests, during the recess of the board; and for that purpose, shall be invested with all necessary powers, to visit either branch of the institution, to inquire into its state, to see that the laws are enforced, and to settle disputes among the officers or students. They shall also have power to call extra meetings of the board, whenever in their judgment the interests of the institution require it; and they shall report all their proceedings to the board, which shall have power to revise the same. The executive committee shall also be subject to such rules, regulations, and directions, as the board may from time to time, by resolution, or otherwise, prescribe for their government.

ARTICLE III.

SEC. 1. The stated annual meeting of the board shall be held at the institution at the time of the principal examination, and meetings shall be held at such other times as may be fixed by adjournment. Extra meetings may also be called by the president and two members, or by the executive committee, in either of which cases, thirty days notice shall be given to each member, unless such meeting be called at the time and place of a meeting of the convention, when a meeting may be called at any hour when the convention is not actually in session, on giving notice to such members as are in attendance on the convention.

SEC. 2. At all meetings of the board, points of order shall be decided, primarily, by the presiding officer, with a right of appeal to the members present. The presiding officer shall be addressed by the members standing and uncovered; and all motions and resolutions shall be reduced to writing before they can be considered, if a member require it.

ARTICLE IV.

SEC. 1. The object of the English and classical school shall be to prepare youth for the theological institution, or for entering college, or for the common business of life. The object of the theological institution to prepare candidates for the ministry of the gospel, by a suitable course of theological instruction.

SEC. 2. The faculty of the theological institution shall consist of such professors as may from time to time be appointed. The English and classical school shall be under the direction of the principal, and such assistant teachers as may be appointed: and in what relates to the farming department, the steward's department, and the general deportment of the students, the farmer shall be associated with them.

SEC. 3. To carry into effect the objects of the institution, it shall be considered desirable, ultimately, to have five professors exclusively for the theological institution. Until these professorships be fully established and endowed, a portion of the professors appointed to give instruction in the theological department may perform duties,

also, in the English and classical, and receive compensation proportionately from each. And in the classical department, there shall be two teachers, one of whom shall be principal, with as many tutors as the exigencies of the school may require.

The professors in the theological department shall be appointed, and their salaries fixed by the board of trustees, who may remove all, or any of them, after a hearing given, whenever in their judgment the good of the institution may require it. Vacancies may be filled, temporarily, by the executive committee, with the advice of the faculty, until a meeting of the board.

The principal of the English and classical school shall be appointed by the board, and shall have authority to appoint, with the approbation of the executive committee, his assistant teachers. But their remuneration and removal shall be at his own discretion.

SEC. 4. Every officer shall reside in or near the seminary, and give attendance daily during the sessions.

SEC. 5. The immediate government of the theological institution shall be in the faculty; of the English and classical school in the principal; subject in both to such rules and regulations as may be established by competent authority, for the government of each respectively. Nor shall either interfere with the other, except so far as officers of the one may have duties assigned them in the other.

SEC. 6. The faculty shall prepare a system of by-laws, by which the theological institution shall be governed, subject to the revision of the board of trustees.

SEC. 7. The business and studies of the English and classical school shall be conducted on the manual labor system; and arrangements shall be made by the rules of that branch for affording an opportunity for regular manual labor to the officers and students of the theological institution. But the manual labor system shall not be regarded as indispensable or obligatory upon the members of the theological institution, unless the convention shall hereafter think proper to make it especially so.

SEC. 8. The theological institution shall be open to all young men, possessing the requisite qualifications, of every denomination of evangelical christians. Candidates for admission shall be examined in relation to their christian experience, call to the ministry, and their studies and degree of proficiency therein; and each must present testimonials from the church to which he belongs, certifying that, in their judgment, he is called of God to the work of the ministry. The examination and admission of candidates shall be by the faculty and executive committee.

SEC. 9. Candidates for admission to the theological institution, who are regular members of some Baptist church, in connexion with the Baptist denomination, and who are partially, or wholly unable to defray their expenses, may receive, in the discretion of the faculty and executive committee, pecuniary assistance, and shall not be charged for tuition, or the use of the library. They must, however, undergo the same examination, and present similar testimonials to those required of other candidates.

SEC. 10. Examinations and vacations shall be regulated by the

executive committee, and the faculty of the theological institution, together with the principal and farmer, of the English and classical school; and they shall be similar in both branches, except when it may be deemed advisable to employ students of the theological institution, in itinerant missions.

SEC. 11. The public exercises of the theological students shall be under the entire control of the faculty.

SEC. 12. The faculty of the theological institution, and the principal of the English and classical school, shall respectively report to the board at the annual meeting, and oftener if required, the state of their several departments.

ARTICLE V.

Any of these rules may be altered, amended, enlarged, suspended, or abrogated, by the board, at any of its stated meetings; but all changes therein, shall, together with the proceedings of the board, be regularly reported to the convention at its next session.

ACCOUNT OF THE TREASURER

Of the State Convention of the Baptist Denomination of South Carolina, from December, 1834.

1834	DOMESTIC MISSIONS.	
	By amount as per last report,	\$22 00
1834	GENERAL PURPOSES.	
	By amount as per last report,	13 10
1834	LIBRARY FUND.	
	By amount as per last report,	90 44
	PAID FOR BENEFICIARIES.	
1835	GEORGE BELL.	
Jan.	To boarding paid Jos. Denson,	\$25 00
1835	JAMES T. SWEAT.	
Jan. 16,	To boarding paid Samuel Furman,	10 00
1835	GEORGE KEMPTON.	
Jan. 16,	To boarding paid to Samuel Furman,	10 00
1835	WM. J. HARLEY.	
Jan. 16,	To boarding paid to Samuel Furman,	10 00
1835	F. M. HAWKINS.	
Jan 27,	To cash paid him to pay his expense home,	10 00
Feb.	To boarding paid to Jos. Denson,	25 00

1835	M. M. ABNEY.	
Feb.	To boarding paid to Joseph Denson,	25 00
1835	M. N. STRICKLING.	
	To boarding paid Joseph Denson,	25 00
1835	WM. NOLEN.	
Feb.	To boarding paid J. Hartwell,	25 00
1885	EDWARD LATHROP.	
March,	To boarding paid J. Hartwell,	25 00
1834	BUILDING FUND.	Cr.
	By amount as per last report,	\$914 00
	By cash on sale of lot in Edgefield,	1035 00
	By amount second report,	149 80
1835	By amount on Z. Watkins' note and interest,	21 40
	By amount H. D. Duncan,	21 40
	By of J. Hartwell, collected by him,	215 00
March,	By of Dr. S. Blanding, from J. B. Miller,	25 00
		<u>\$2381 60</u>
1835	BUILDING FUND.	Dr.
Jan.	To paid J. Hartwell for 27 acres of land,	\$2350 00
	To discount on Georgia bills,	11 35
	To paid recording deed for J. Hartwell,	2 08
March,	To paid insurance,	6 00
May,	To paid insurance of buildings,	37 25
		<u>\$2406 66</u>
	By amount received,	2381 60
	Due by this fund,	<u>25 06</u>
	Notes due to this fund,	
	Josiah B. Furman's note, (besides interest,)	20 00
	Isaac Nicholes' note, (besides interest,)	20 00
FEMALE JUVENILE EDUCATION AND MISSIONARY		
1834	SOCIETY.	
	By amount as per last report,	\$177 35
1835	By interest on two Commercial Bank shares, at \$1,	2 00
Jan.	By do two United States, at \$3 50,	7 00
	By do two Union, at \$1 50,	3 00
	By do three Planters and Mechanics', at 87 cts.,	2 62
July,	By do two U. S. Bank shares,	7 00
	By do two Union, three Planters and Mechanics',	11 00
	By do two Commercial,	2 00
		<u>\$211 97</u>

Amount brought over,	\$211 97
To amount paid away,	202 18
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Balance,	9 79
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1835	Dr.
May 6, To paid five shares Planters and Mechanics' Bank, per B. Manly, No. 8040,	\$177 18
July, To paid for one Commercial share,	25 00
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	\$202 18
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FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1834.	By balance as per report,	351 69
	“ half of collection at Barnwell C. H., on Lord's day, say of \$185,69,	92 84
	By amount as per 2d report. 1834,	63 00
	“ cash for a ring given by a lady,	1 00
1835.		
Oct	Chesterville church and congregation, by J. C. Kenney,	60 00
	Fellowship do. by do.	18 37
	Poplar Spring church, by James Barber,	5 50
	Longtown church, A. D. Jones,	55 25
	Padget's Creek church and congregation, by T. J. Green,	9 56
	Pleasant Hill church, by Levi Burk,	6 87
	New Hope church, by F. Clayton, for spread of the gospel,	8 00
	Concord church do. by James McWhorter,	6 00
	Lower Fair Forest, by Jason Green,	3 50
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	Total,	681 59
1835.		
Jan, 20,	To cash paid H. Lincoln, Treasurer, General Convention,	508 53
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	Balance,	173 06
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Permanent or Gillison Fund,—Interest to be used for education of Beneficiaries.

834.	By amount as per report,	1067 75
	By amount credited by mistake to this fund, received of B. Manly,	40 00
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		1027 75
	By amount as per 2d report,	202 00
	By amount on subscription taken by Barnes of B. M. Ware, 10, J. F. Gardner, 20,	30 00
	By do. I. L. Brookes, 40, Mrs. S. I. Brookes, 10,	50 00
	By do. do. for A. Levenworth,	5 00
1835.		
March,	By amount of Mrs Lowry, per B. Manly,	50 00
	By dividends on 34 U. S. Bank shares, at 3.50, 6 Union at 1.50, and 20 Planters' and Mechanics' at 87 cts., and 25 Commercial,	170 50
July,	By dividends on 34 U. S. Bank shares, 6 Union, and 58 Plan- ters' and Mechanics' at 1,	186 00
	By do. 25 Commercial shares,	25 00
Oct.	By cash of Benj. Smith, 50, C. Entzminger, per B. Manly, 50,	100 00
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	Total,	1846 25

1835.	Amount brought over,	\$1846 24
May,	To paid for 38 P. and Mechanics' shares, No. 8040,	1346 62
	To interest passed to credit education fund,	170 50
	To paid for 15 Commercial shares,	375 00
	To dividends passed to credit education fund,	211 00
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	By amount received,	1846 25
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	Due by this fund,	256 87
	By amount E. H. Lide's note due 1st Jan. 1836,	25 00
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	Balance,	231 87

Salaries,—Fund for interest to be used.

1834.	By amount as per report,	205 23
	By amount credited from permanent fund, credit there by mistake, (of B. Manly,)	40 00
1835.		
Jan.	By dividends on 6 U. S. at 3,50, 1 Union, at 1,50, 20 Planters' and Mechanics' at 87 cts.	40 00
	Int State stock (286,62) 5 per cent.,	7 16
	By 5 Commercial,	5 00
	By of Mrs E Y. Peay, per B. Manly,	5 00
July,	By dividends on 6 U. S., 1 Union, 28 Planters' and Mechanics' at 1, and State stock, and 5 Commercial shares,	62 67
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	Total,	365 06
1835.		
May,	To paid for 8 shares Planters' and Mechanics' Bank, No 8040,	283 50
July,	To paid for 3 Commercial shares,	75 00
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Balance, 6 56

EDUCATION FUND.

1835.	By amount as per report,	271 07
	By half collection on Lord's day at Barnwell, of 185,69,	92 85
	By amount 2d report,	40 00
	By interest received from permanent fund,	170 50
April,	By cash of R. Josey, 9, A. Scarborough, 9, R. Copeland, 3, H. Scarborough, 50 cts.	21 50
July,	By interest permanent fund,	211 00
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	Total,	806 92
1835.	To paid J. Hartwell, rent of building used by institution,	350 00
Jan.	Paid boarding of beneficiaries, &c.	190 00
	To paid Wm. Riley for printing minutes,	95 00
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	Balance,	171 92

JESSE HARTWELL, (late Professor.)

1834.	To paid him,	77 00
1835.	By amount due him for 1834,	616 68
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	Due him	539 68

SAMUEL FURMAN, (late Professor.)

1834.	To paid him,	213 50
1835.	By amount due him for 1834,	841 11
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	Balance due him,	627 61

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SALARIES.

1834.	By amount as per report,	54 50
	By amount as per 2d report,	236 50
1835.	By E. Pringle, 8, J. Wilder, 2,	10 00
	By of B. Manly, 30, for Mrs. Mary Adams, 5,	35 00
	By do Mrs. Caroline Blackwood,	5 00
	By Rev D. Peeples 2 years subscriptions,	60 00
Oct.	By B. Manly of Mrs. P. Poyas, 5, Mrs. A. L. Wheeler, 5, Mrs. M. Adams, 5, Mrs. M. Holwell, 10,	25 00
Dec.	By W. G. Barrett of Sunterville church,	12 00
	By do. of Bethany church,	3 00
	Total,	441 00
1835.	To paid S. Furman,	213 50
	To paid J. Hartwell,	77 00
		<hr/> 290 50
	Balance,	<hr/> 150 50

STATEMENT.

Domestic Missions,	\$22 00
Foreign do	73 06
Library Fund,	90 44
General Purposes,	13 10
Charleston Female Juvenile Miss'y and Ed'n Soc'y,	9 79
Permanent Fund for salaries,	6 56
Permanent or Gillison Fund,	00 00
Education Fund,	171 92
Scholarships of five years,	150 50
Building Fund,	00 00
	<hr/> \$637 37
Dr	
Due by Building Fund,	25 06
Due by Gillison or Permanent Fund,	231 87
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	<hr/> \$380 44

FUNDS AND ESTATE OF THE CONVENTION.

PERMANENT OR GILLISON FUND.

Thirty-four United States Bank shares, each	\$100 00
Fifty-eight Planters and Mechanics' Bank,	25 00
Six Union Bank,	50 00
Forty Commercial Bank,	25 00

PERMANENT FUND FOR SALARIES.

Six United States Bank shares, each	\$100
Twenty-eight Planters and Mechanics' shares,	25
One Union share,	50
Eight Commercial shares,	25
Five per cent. State Stock,	286

CHARLESTON FEMALE JUVENILE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Two United States Bank shares, each	\$100 00
Eight Planters and Mechanics' shares,	25 00
Two Union shares,	50 00
Three Commercial shares,	25 00
Balance due on Mr. Blocker's debt,	00 00
Balance due for house and lot in Edgefield,	00 00
Twenty-seven acres land and building in Sumter D'ct,	00 00

LIBRARY OF BOOKS, &c.

BUILDING FUND.

Two notes of \$20 each,
For Furman Theo. Institution, a bell,

EDUCATION FUND.

A judgment on Jas. H. Devotie, for \$150,
Interest from 1st January, 1834.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A lady's bead guard,
Three studs or buttons.

The committee on accounts have examined the above accounts, of J. B. Miller, Treasurer, and find them properly vouched, and correctly cast. Certified 14th December, 1835.

ALEXANDER J. LAWTON, *Chairman of Committee.*

Report of Committee on Accounts, Dec. 1836.

LIST OF BONDS AND NOTES.

	Dr.			Dr.	
	INT.	PRIN.		INT.	PRIN.
E. Adams,	3 50	50	B. R. Bostick,	7	100
Mary Adams,	1 75	25	I. H. Berry, (Ann'y.)	5	
A. B. Addison,	2 60	100	B. I. Bostick,	3 50	50
E. Allen,	3 50	100	J. W. Bostick,	1 40	20
H. Z. Ardis,	7	100	M. A. Brisbane,	7	100
Mathias Ardis,	7	100	A. Bristow,	1 05	15
D. Atkinson,	7	100	I. L. Brookes,		500
W. E. Bailey,	66 31	442 30	J. G. Brown,	14	200
Martha S. Barksdale,	70	1000	C. Burekmyer,	35	500
John Barrett,	1 75	25	R. Bradford,	35	500
W. G. Barrett,	3 50	50	B. H. Brown,	14	200
J. J. Beck,	35	60	I. W. Burn, (Ann'y.)	5	
B. M. Blocker	70	10	J. M. Chi'es,	7	100
N. W. Bostick,	10 50	150	J. A. E. Chovin,	10 50	150
E. M. Bostick,	3 50	0	J. Cockfield,	1 75	25

	INT.	PRIN. Dr.		INT.	PRIN. Dr.
G. H. Colding,	\$1 75	\$25	N M'Call,	7	100
W. Caulclazier,	1 75	25	D M'Kay,	1 75	25
G. W. Collins,	7	100	D R W M'Iver,	17 50	250
J. Courtney,	7	100	A M M'Iver,	10 50	150
J. O. B. Dargan,	3 50	50	J K M'Iver,	70	1000
K. L. Dargan,	7	100	L G S Middleton,	0 70	10
R. J. Davant,	35	500	B. Mauly,	28	400
J. B. Davis,	35	500	J M Miller,	7	100
W. B. Deloach,	14	200	W Milton,	7	100
J. Dunn,	1 75	25	R T Mims,	14	200
J. Dupre,	5 60	80	G J Myers, per J M		
J. Durst,	0 70	10	Timmons, Guar.	1 75	25
W. Fort,	3 50	50	J D Moore,	7	100
W. Fuller,	14	200	John O Nicholson,	1 75	25
R. Fuller,	70	1000	S Nicholson,	3 50	50
J. C. Furman,	35	500	R G Norton,	7	100
J. B. Furman,*	1 48	20	J O'Bannon,	14	200
C. M. Furman,	35	500	David Palmer,	1 75	25
H. H. Furman,	14	200	A Patterson,§	8 97	200
M. Galphin,	7	100	D Peeples,		200
T. J. Gantt,†	350	5000	E H Peeples,	3 50	50
T. J. Gantt,	35	500	G L Penn,		100
J. F. Gardner,	7	100	J A Pettigrew,		200
G. Goode,	17 50	250	Joseph Phillips,		25
B. Jerald,	7	100	E Pringle,	3 50	50
R. R. Gibson,	0 70	10	W Prothro,		500
P. Givens,	14	200	Mrs P Poyas,	7	100
S. F. Goode,‡		100	G N Reynolds,	7	100
J. Graham,	0 70	10	C Reaves,	0 70	10
Noah Graham,	1 40	20	S Revell,	1 75	25
N L Griffin,§		175	J Richardson,	1 75	25
W J Hard,	7	100	V A Rich,	3 50	50
J Hasell,	14	200	W Riley,	35	500
R Heriot,	14	200	B N Robert,	7	100
W B Heriot,	14	200	J T Robert,	3 50	100
Thomas Hicks,	0 70	10	J J Robert,	10 62	200
J Hickson,	7	100	Mrs W H Robert,	14	200
W T Hieronymus,	3 50	50	B M Rogers,	7	100
C C Keith,	5 25	75	W Royall,	7	100
George James,	1 75	25	R H Saxon,	7	100
J J James,	1 40	20	A Scarborough,	3 50	50
W B Johnson,	28	400	J Scott,	7	100
C D Jones,	7	100	J B Sealey,	14	200
H Kemp,	1 75	25	H Smith,	0 70	10
A P Lacoste,	10 50	150	Mrs L Smith,	7	100
James Lane,	7	100	W Smith,	7	100
C H Lanneau,	7	100	A C Smith,	7	100
J J Lawton,	17 50	250	C P Schnell,	14	200
A J Lawton,		300	E H Simpkins,	14	200
R T Lawton,	10 50	150	A Sparks.	35	500
B D Lawton,	10 50	150	C Staley,	4 90	70
R Lewis,	1 75	25	J J Still,	1 75	25
H Light,	3 99	57 10	Mrs E Stoney,¶	10	
E J Lide,	10 50	150	W Sturges,	3 50	50
T P Lide,	10 01	143	H B Thomas,	1 40	20
R A Long,	1 40	20	James Thomas,	0 70	10
B M' Bride,	14	200	Fraunces Thomson,	7	100

* Interest from 10th Dec. 1833. Interest to 9th Feb. 1837. ‡ Interest to May 10 1836. § Interest to 10th May, 1836. ¶ Interest from 1st Jan. 1837. ¶ Annuity for life.

	INT.	PRIN.	Dr.		INT.	PRIN.	Dr.
James Thwing,	0 35	5		interest on \$8060,			
W. Timmons,	7	100		—61. See cash			
J. M. Timmons,	7	100		account for the in-			
J. Trapp,	1 75	25		terest of 1836.			
A. Ulmer,	14	260		Amount of interest			
A. Whatley,	7	100		omitted to be			
B. M. Ware,	7	100		charged in their			
R. M. Whaller,	3 50	50		proper places; to			
J. M. Wheeler,*	1 75	25		wit:			
J. Wilder,*	4 04	50		G. L. Penn,	7		
I. D. Wilson,†		100		N. L. Griffin,	4 53		
J. F. Wilson,	17 50	250		Samuel F. Goode,	2 60		
D. H. Winson,	7	100		Mrs. M. Booth, An-			
T. Youngblood,†	1 75			nunity of	5		
General Committee							
of the Charleston					1749 45	28297 40	
B Association, the							
pledge of annual							

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		INT.	CR.
1836.	Wm Prothro paid in full to 1st April, 1836,	\$8 75	500
May 10,	N. L. Griffin paid in full,	4 53	175
	A. B. Addison paid in full,	2 60	100
	Samuel F. Goode paid in full,	2 60	100
19,	B. M'Bride paid principal in full—interest due		
	to 1st May, 1836,	\$4 66	200
July 1,	J. T. Robert paid in full,	3 50	100
	J. J. Robert paid in full,	10 62	200
	Rev. R. Fuller paid in part,	62 88	56 34
	W. B. Johnson interest in full to Jan. 1, 1837,	28	
	Mrs. E. H. Simpkins do. do.	14	
	Shemuel Nicholson do. do.	3 50	
	Dr. J. O. Nicholson do. do.	1 75	
	Thomas Youngblood do. do.	1 75	
	John Durst do. do.	0 70	
	B. M. Blocker do. do.	0 70	
	John Trapp do. do.	1 75	
	R. T. Mims do. do.	14	
	G. L. Penn do. do.	7	
	Joseph Phillips do. do.	1 75	
	H. Z. Ardis do. do.	7	
	J. O'Bannon do. do.	14	
	H. D. Duncan do. do.	14	
	J. M. Chiles do. do.	7	
	J. H. Berry do. do.	7	
	R. Bradford paid bond full,	35	500
	Mathias Ardis do do	7	100
	D. R. W. M'Iver paid bond in part,	17 50	82 50
	L. L. Brookes,		500
		278 88	2613 84

* Int. from Nov. 3, 1835. † Payable in ten equal annual instalments. ‡ Life Annuity.

By amount of principal and interest received		
on bonds,	278 88	2613 84
By balance due on prin. and int. on bonds,	1470 57	25683 56
	<u>1749 45</u>	<u>28297 40</u>

CASH ACCOUNT.

		Dr.
1835.		
Dec. 15,	To cash received of former Treasurer,	\$3426 32
18,	" Susan Townsend subscription,	50
	" Maria Brisbane,	10
	" Elizabeth Brisbane,	10
	" N. W. Hodges on account of convention,	448
	" Public collection in Charleston,	137
21,	From certain individuals say,	
	" Sarah Heriot, 2, L. Heriot, 2,	4
	" Charles Miller, 5, C. C. Keith, 25,	30
	" D. Peeples, 200, M'Millan, 10,	210
	" R. F. Reynolds, 10, Mrs. Gelser, 2,	12
	" Mrs. Hubbel, 5, Miss Dupre, 10,	15
	" Miss Wilson, 5, J. Cameron, 5,	10
	" Watch guard 75 cts., colored woman, 1,	1 75
1836.		
Jan. 7,	Collected on Barnes' list per W. B. Johnson,	
	Dr. Adams, 5, Seth Butler, 3,	8
	John Day, 3, D. Prescott, 2,	5
	W. Y. Samuel, 2, B. Agon, 1, ———, 2,	5
15,	Gibbs,	5
16,	Sarah Burch,	5
23,	B. Smith, 1000, J. W. Lucas, 10,	1010
28,	Mrs. Hobson,	1
29,	Rev. J. T. Robert per B. W. Jenkins, on Gibson's subscription list—From J. J. Lawton, 5, Sarah Lawton, 15, A. Lawton, 10, M. P. Norton, 3,	33
	For Professorships.	
	R. T. Lawton, 3, J. H. Robert, 10, J. J. Robert, 10, C. T. Singleton, 12, Sarah T. Jaudon, 6, A. M. Huguenin, 30, E. Stoney, 30, W. A. Lawton, 8,	109
	Mrs. Heriot, 5, Mary Heriot, 2,	7
Feb. 6,	Mrs. Royall, 2, W. Fripp, 500,	502
	I. L. Brookes interest on \$500 for 2 months,	5
17,	Thos. Smith donation 200,	200
	Dividends to 1st January, 1836.	
	Planters' and Mechanics' Bank,	94
	Union Bank,	15 50
	State 5 per cent.,	7 13
22,	Mrs. Alston,	100
March 5,	Mrs. A. Mikell,	40
7,	Mary Tunno,	2
25,	Mrs. Moore,	10
26,	Dividend on 6 shares in Columbia Bridge Company, half year, to 1st January, 1836.	24
April 10,	From Rev. I. Nicholes his note in full,	23 26

	Dividends on U. S. Bank stock to 1st Jan. 1836,	147
30,	Rev. I. Nicholes donation,	80
May 10,	Miss C. C. Keith,	25
19,	From Rev. J. Hartwell, collected by him from T. Dargan, 55, Lydia Dargan, 15, M. A. D. Sims, 3, S. Wilson. 10, R. P. Lide, 2,	85
July 20,	Dividend on 69 shares of U. Bank to 1st July, 1836,	120 75
	2 quarters interest on State 5 per cent. stock,	7 16
	Mrs. Dawson donation,	2
	Profits on subscription for, and sale of 1 share in the Camden Bank,	23
Aug. 6,	Dividend on 32 shares of Commercial Bank of Columbia to 1st Jan. 1836,	32
	Dividend on 42 shares U. S. Bank stock for half year to 1st July, 1836,	168
Nov. 1,	Dividend on 51 shares Commercial Bank in Columbia,	51
	Ditto on 6 shares Col. Bridge stock,	18
Dec. 10,	5th instalment on house and lot in Edgefield,	313 06
	Edisto Association per J. G. O. Wilkinson,	25
	Education Society at Gillisonville, per Mrs. M. Buckner for Furman Theological Institution,	28 31
	Edgefield Association, per M. Mims, Treasurer, for Furman Institution one third of public collection on Sabbath,	45
	Rev. I. Nicholes, sen. for Burman Bible,	10
	Rev. I. Nicholes, jr. do do	10
	New Hope church, Pickens district,	22
	Head of Enoree Baptist church for Burman mission,	18
	Barker's Creek church for Foreign missions,	9
	Elizabeth Halbert bequest for Burman Bible,	20
	Susanna Acker donation for Burman Bible,	5
	Cador Gantt do do do	5
	Elizabeth Hext for Burman mission,	5
	Elizabeth Williams donation to Permanent Fund,	100
	Anderson dist. Missionary Society for Burman mission,	22
	Jane A. Hands for Burman Bible,	5
	Margaret Booth for Permanent Fund,	5
	Charleston Juvenile Missionary and Education Society for their accumulating fund,	200
	General Committee of churches in Charleston association for Furman Institution,	250
	Savannah River asso. per A. J. Lawton for education,	82 87
	Shiloh church for Permanent Fund,	1
	do do for Foreign missions,	5
	do do for Burman Bible,	14
	Bethel association, per J. Davis, to be appropriated according to association minutes,	129 75
	Rev. J. C. Keeney for Burman Bible,	67 50
	Rock creek church. per J. Davis, for Burman Bible,	10
	Mary Hutchinson for do	1
	Longtown Female Society for Furman Institution	50

R. A. Long overplus of interest on bond,	0 10
J. C. Furman collection on Barnes' list,	5 75
Samuel Riley for Furman institution,	27
Ker Boyce for do do	200
N. W. Hodges agent of convention, see his list published,	1573 25
11, Public collection in the Greenville church on Sabbath, for Foreign missions,	36 08
For education,	36 08
Saluda association for Burman Bible,	93 65
Mrs. Bishop for Furman institution,	4
13, N. W. Hodges agent of convention,	68
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1835.	
Dec. 17, By A. J. Lawton's bill for printing bonds,	2 50
" Counterfeit bills,	5 50
" Dr. Johnson's bill for postage,	3 45
" N. W. Hodges agent per order for services as collecting agent,	800
" A. D. Jones per J. Davis by order of board,	442
" Bill of Washington banking company failed,	1
" T. J. Gantt's bond and mortgage,	5000
May 19, " Sundries paid J. Hartwell on 4th Jan. 1836, and omitted to be then charged,	124
" Rev. S. Furman,	39
25, " 60 shares in the U. Bank at \$69 per share,	4140
" Discount and interest given in part for the above shares,	39 52
" W. Riley for printing minutes,	95
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	10691 97
" Balance on hand carried to stock account,	55 80
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STOCK ACCOUNT,

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Showing to what objects the Funds of the Convention are pledged.

To permanent fund for endowing theological professorships, and raising salaries for professors of theological institution—Interest only to be used.....	\$38900 35
To Charleston Juvenile Female Missionary and Education Society, to accumulate till a sufficiency be raised to maintain a scholarship in theological institution—say \$3000—viz:	
To two U. S. Bank shares, at \$117 per share.....	\$234 00
To eight Planters and Mechanics' Bank shares, at \$39.....	314 00
To two Union Bank shares, at \$68.....	136 00
To three Commercial Bank shares, at \$35.....	105 00
Cash.....	449 00
To Burman Bible.....	1238 93
To Foreign missions.....	243 65
To general fund for education purposes.....	74 08
To manual labor institution, theological or classical.....	1255 88
To manual labor classical school.....	1044 00
To salaries of former professors, Hartwell and Furman.....	345 50
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	\$43244 43
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Shewing the various Funds in possession of Convention.

		Est. Inc.
By balance on bonds and notes.....	Principal, 25683 56	
	Interest, 1470 57	27054 13
By forty-two shares U. S. Bank stock, at \$117.....		4914 00
By ninety-four shares Planters & Mechanics, Bank stock, at 39 1-4.....		3689 50
By sixty-nine shares Union Bank stock, at 68.....		4692 00
By fifty-one shares Commercial Bank stock, at 35.....		1785 00
By six shares Columbia Bridge, at par, \$100.....		600 00
By State five per cent. par value.....		286 00
By balance of cash account.....	\$55 80	
Cash afterwards received of N. W. Hodges.....	68 00	123 80
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	\$43244 43	\$28563 67

The income is estimated at the rate of the last half-yearly dividend, declared on the Bank stock, and the regular lawful interest on the other monies.

M. MIMS, *Chairman.*

MINUTES

OF THE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Thursday Evening, 17th December, 1835.

The Board of Trustees of the Furman Theological Institution, and of the Manual Labor Classical and English School, appointed at the meeting of the convention just terminated, met this evening, immediately after the adjournment of the convention. Present—Jouathan Davis, Abraham D. Jones, Iveson L. Brookes, James C. Furman, J. K. McIver, Josiah B. Furman, William B. Johnson, Basil Manly, Amaziah Rice, Nicholas W. Hodges, Alexander J. Lawton, Joseph Grisham, and Charles M. Furman.

Resolved, That the officers of the board shall be a president,

two vice presidents, a secretary, and a treasurer, to be chosen by ballot.

Elected Jonathan Davis, president; John B. O'Neill and Iverson L. Brookes, vice presidents; Josiah B. Furman, secretary; and Abraham D. Jones, treasurer.

Appointed B. Manly, C. M. Furman, Henry Bailey, W. B. Johnson, and J. B. O'Neill, a committee, to prepare rules for the government of the board, and of the theological and manual labor seminaries. Also charged the said committee with the duty of enquiring into the possibility of obtaining professors for the theological institution, and of obtaining information respecting the qualifications of persons, who may be designated for the station, and be likely to accept the appointment. They were also requested to communicate to the other members of the board, before their coming together, the result of their enquiries, for the purpose of enabling them to vote discreetly upon the choice of suitable professors.

Authorized the secretary to procure a substantial book for recording the proceedings of the board, and directed that the same shall be paid for out of the funds, which shall be under the control of the board.

Appointed the next meeting of the board at Fairfield church, near Wimsborough, on the 14th May, 1836, and requested the secretary to publish the same in the Southern Baptist, together with a list of the trustees. Appointed Dr. Johnson to preach on Lord's day, and B. Manly in case of failure. Adjourned.

Fairfield Church. Saturday, 14th May, 1836.

The board assembled this day at the Fairfield church, near Wimsborough, according to appointment. Present—Jonathan Davis, president; I. L. Brookes, vice president; J. B. Furman, secretary; A. D. Jones, treasurer; W. B. Johnson, M. T. Mendenhall, N. W. Hodges, A. J. Lawton, J. O'Bannon, Z. Rudolph, and James Mobley.

The introductory sermon was preached by Dr. Johnson, from Daniel xii. 4.

Read the minutes of the preceding meeting.

Invited W. E. Bailey, treasurer of the convention, and A. Fant, the pastor, E. Owens, and O. Woodward, deacons of the Fairfield church, to a seat.

Read the report of the committee, appointed to prepare rules for the government of the board, and of the institution, to this effect: That no rules are necessary for the government of the board, except a few unwritten ones, that will suggest themselves from time to time, as circumstances shall arise; that they have collected a large number of documents, containing rules of such institutions, out of which rules may be culled for our purpose, when they are wanted; and that they are not prepared to nominate persons for professorships. Laid the report on the table, after some discussion, for future consideration.

Requested the pastor and deacons of this church to arrange the preaching for to-morrow.

Resolved, That when we adjourn, it shall be to 9 o'clock on Monday morning.

Appointed Bro. Brookes, Mendenhall, and J. B. Furman, a committee to arrange business for the consideration of the board, on the ensuing days of this meeting. Agreed to meet after adjournment, for the purpose of examining the proposed sites of the theological and manual labor seminaries.

Adjourned, after prayer by Dr. Johnson.

Monday Morning — The board met agreeably to adjournment. Prayer by Dr. Johnson. Read the minutes of Saturday. Took up the report of the committee on rules. Committed the subject to the same persons, with a request to prepare such rules as may now be necessary, and report at the next meeting of the board.

Took a recess, to admit of the meeting of the committee, appointed to organize the manual labor school.

Agreed to select the northern site for the location of the theological institution.

Adjourned to meet at the Baptist meeting house in Greenville, on Friday evening, before the meeting of the convention. Prayer by Dr. Johnson.

Greenville, Friday Evening, December 9th, 1836.

1. The board met; seven members being present. In the absence of the Secretary, J. C. Furman was appointed Secretary pro tem.

2. Invited brethren present to a seat.

3. The committee appointed to draft a set of rules for the government of the Board, and of the Theological Institution, submitted as their report, "A Constitution of the Furman Institution," which they recommend for adoption. Report was laid on the table.

4. The same committee reported in relation to the professorships of the institution, that letters had been addressed to individuals on the subject, a reply to one of which was read. The report was laid on the table.

5. The board adjourned to meet at half past six to-morrow evening.

Saturday Evening, Dec. 10, 1836.

1. The board met. Present J. Davis, W. B. Johnson, B. Manly, I. L. Brookes, A. Rice, J. Grisham, J. O'Bannon, N. W. Hodges, M. T. Mendenhall, A. J. Lawton, J. C. Furman.

2. Took up the report of the committee on the preparation of rules, and after reading it, went into consideration of the proposed constitution article by article. After adopting a part of the report with some emendations,

3. *Resolved*, To request the convention to go into recess on Monday, to afford the board opportunity to complete its business,

and that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet at the call of the President. Adjourned.

Monday, half past 12 o'clock

The board met, and after farther consideration of the articles of the constitution, adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock.

2 o'clock. The board met and concluded the articles of the constitution, which, as amended, they resolved to present to the convention as their report. Adjourned.

Wednesday.

1. The board met. Present J. Davis, W. B. Johnson, B. Manly, N. W. Hodges, I. L. Brookes, A. Rice, J. O'Bannon, M. T. Mendenhall, A. J. Lawton, J. Grisham, J. C. Furman.

2. Proceeded to the election of an individual to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. Thomas Blackwood. M. Mims was unanimously chosen. J. M. Chiles was also chosen to fill the place vacated by the removal from the State of Dr. J. O. Balfour.

3. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. J. Davis, president; N. W. Hodges, vice president; J. C. Furman, secretary; and M. T. Mendenhall, treasurer. J. Davis, and J. C. Furman, to receive the treasurer's bond.

4. J. Davis, M. T. Mendenhall, and Jas. Mobley, were chosen members of the executive committee.

5. A letter from J. Du Pre to the convention, in reference to the library, which was committed to this board, was then taken up. The whole matter was committed to the president to take measures to secure and remove the books.

6. A committee was appointed to digest a plan or plans of buildings to be erected for the theological department, and empowered to make such contracts for bricks as they may deem expedient. Johnson, Davis, Hodges, Mendenhall, Manly, and Bailey to constitute the committee.

7. Went into consideration of the subject of persons suitable to fill professorships in the institution. A committee was appointed to make further enquiries personally, and by letter upon this subject, and to consist of W. B. Johnson, B. Manly, I. L. Brookes and N. W. Hodges.

8. The next meeting was appointed to be held at the institution on Saturday before the second Sunday in May. I. L. Brookes to preach the introductory sermon, and in case of failure N. W. Hodges.

9. The regulations of the English and Classical school framed by the committee appointed by the convention, to organize that department, were considered article by article, and with some modifications adopted.

10. *Resolved*, That M. T. Mendenhall have leave to build on the premises of the Furman institution, and occupy without charge, for _____ years, a store house of such description, on such site, and under such restrictions as to articles to be kept and sold there, as may be agreed on between himself, and the executive

committee ; provided that no other person be allowed to occupy the building without the consent of the said executive committee ; provided also that the building shall become the property of the convention at the expiration of the above stipulated time ; and provided, also, that whenever before the expiration of this time, the occupancy of the said building as a store shall be deemed inexpedient, the board of trustees shall have leave to take the building at a fair valuation, and discontinue the store.

11. It was assigned to those who have received application for the admission of scholars into the English and Classical school, to reply to them.

12. Agreed that all future applications be made to the Principal, who in cases in which it may be difficult to determine the right of entrance, shall refer to the executive committee.

13. The completion of the building of the English and classical school, and the procuring of necessary stores, was committed to the executive committee.

14. Ordered that the treasurer pay over to the executive committee, at the order of the presiding officer, such sums as may be called for in carrying out the above commission.

15. Appointed W. E. Bailey, Principal of the English and Classical school, to the professorship of languages in the theological department, and agreed to allow him six hundred dollars for instruction to be afforded to theological students.

REGULATIONS

OF THE

ENGLISH AND CLASSICAL SCHOOL.

GOVERNMENT.

The principal authority and executive power is vested in the Principal, who is authorized to make all necessary regulations not made by the board of trustees, for the good order and benefit of the institution.

Each teacher shall have the immediate government of the class or classes committed to his care and management, but cases of difficulty which occur, and which cannot be by him adjusted, shall be reported to the principal, whose decision shall be final, except in cases requiring discussion ; in which cases an appeal may be made to the board of trustees.

The farmer shall also be considered as one of the faculty in reference to the farming department, the steward's department, and the general department of the students.

It shall be the duty of the principal to conduct evening and morning prayers in the school room, or chapel, or call upon some one else to do so. The principal, or one of the teachers, must be present in the steward's hall at each meal.

FARMING DEPARTMENT.

The farm shall be under the superintendence, and direction of the farmer, who shall devote as much time as possible to its good order, and improvement. He shall direct the manual operations of the students in the field. But the teachers themselves, as far as other duties will admit, shall go into the field with their classes, in order to aid by their example and authority, the government of the students in the field. The hours of labor shall be two and a half in each working day, except Saturday, when half of that time only shall be devoted to labor: nevertheless, any student, at his own request, or that of his parent or guardian, may be permitted to labor more than the required portion of time, in order to defray more fully the expenses of his education, provided his studies can be so arranged as to fall in with those of the regular classes.

TERMS OF ADMISSION,—BOARDING AND TUITION.

Students may be admitted at any age, provided they can read, write a legible hand, and spell correctly. If more applications shall be made for students than can be admitted preference shall be given to those, whose parents or guardians have manifested the deepest interest in the success of the institution, by the liberality of their contributions and other services, regard being also had to the age, moral character, and probable continuance of the pupil in the institution. No pupil once admitted shall be removed to give place to a new applicant.

The price of boarding shall be seven dollars per month, exclusive of bedding and washing. The price of tuition in the common branches of English education shall be twenty dollars per year: and in the languages, or other higher branches of learning forty dollars per year. No student shall be admitted for a term less than a year. The scholastic year shall consist of two terms, the first of six months from the second Monday in January to the second Monday in July; and the second of five months, from the second Monday in July to the second Monday in December. The price of boarding and tuition shall be paid in advance for each term to the steward. A reasonable allowance shall be made for the labor of each student according to an estimate of its value by the farmer and executive committee.

Boys residing in the neighborhood of the institution may be admitted into the school upon condition of punctual attendance at the hours of recitation, and strict conformity to its regulations. Where they choose to labor, the avails of their labor shall be applied to the payment of their tuition.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

A committee of three shall be appointed residing near the institu-

tution who in conjunction with the farmer shall make an estimate of the value of each student's labor. They shall give counsel to the farmer from time to time, in regard to the best management of the farming department, and have the superintendence of repairs and buildings. They shall make an annual report to the board of trustees respecting the state of the farm and of the buildings.

COURSE OF STUDY.

The course of studies pursued shall be such as to prepare the student for entering the junior class of the South Carolina College: but where it is not the wish of the student to pursue a collegiate course, his studies shall be so directed as to complete his education in the higher branches of literature, so far as the facilities of the institution will admit.

BY-LAWS.

1. The students will not be permitted to trade with one another, or buy of any merchant, or other person, without the permission of the principal, under such restrictions, as the parents or guardians may impose.

2. As soon as may be convenient after coming to the institution, the students will be required to adopt an uniformity of dress. This shall consist of grey cloth of any material. The form of the coat shall be that of the standing collar, and single breasted, with but one row of buttons. The vest likewise of the upright collar, and but one row of buttons. For boys under twelve years of age the outer garment shall be a round jacket with standing collar.

3. In order to prevent habits of extravagance from obtaining among the students, the cost of their clothing for winter use shall be limited to four dollars and fifty cents per square yard, and that for summer use to one dollar and twenty-five cents per square yard. If any pocket money be allowed to students, it shall not exceed twenty dollars, and shall be put into the steward's hands.

The Constitution of the State Convention of the Baptist Denomination in South Carolina, adopted at their meeting in December, 1835, at Charleston.

We, the Representatives of the constituent bodies of the State Convention of the Baptist denomination in South Carolina, do agree upon the following articles, as forming the annexed Constitution of the Convention, and the basis of the union.

ARTICLE I. This body shall be styled The State Convention of the Baptist denomination in South Carolina.

ART. II. The grand object of this convention shall be the increase of evangelical and useful knowledge, and of vital practical religion; the promotion of religious education, and particularly that of pious young men, who may be approved by the church to

which they belong, as called of God to preach the gospel; the support of missionary service among the destitute, both at home and abroad; the establishment of Sabbath schools, and the promotion of religious education in families;—and in general, the cultivation of such measures as tend to promote the true interests of the church at large: and of those especially which may be conducive to union, peace, and harmony, and love among themselves.

ART. III. The convention shall consist of delegates from the several Baptist associations, in this State, who may approve of the measures here adopted; and of representatives from other religious bodies of the Baptist connexion concerned in the promotion of the same objects with the convention: The number of delegates and representatives bearing always a just proportion to the number of their constituents. The attending delegates shall be a quorum to do business. The appointment of these delegates shall be made annually or biennially, as the convention shall determine to hold its meeting; and a certificate of their appointment shall be exhibited to the convention. The members of the board of agents shall be *ex officio* members of the new convention.

ART. IV. The convention shall have a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. It shall also have a Board of Agents, for the transaction of business during its recess, consisting of eight members, the Treasurer *ex officio*, being one of them, any three of whom duly convened, shall be a quorum. The duties severally assigned to the officers of similar institutions, shall devolve on those of this body, according to their rank and character, in the convention and in the board.

The board, as agents, shall be adequate to the performance of all necessary business which may occur during the recess of the convention. Both officers and agents, shall hold their stations, (unless forfeited by unrighteous conduct,) till a new election. The board shall have the power to fill vacancies in their own body.

ART. V. The support of a seminary of learning in this State, under the care of this convention, shall be considered as a primary object. The design of this seminary, is to assist those, who, in the judgment of their churches, are called of God to preach the gospel, that they may study to show themselves workmen approved unto God, that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. Those of this character, who need pecuniary aid, may receive it at the discretion of the convention from funds appropriated to this object. The government of this seminary shall be committed to a board of trustees, to be elected by the convention, at the end of every fourth year. But if from any cause the election shall not take place at the time appointed, the members of the board shall continue in office till a new election shall be made. The board of trustees shall be governed by a set of rules which shall form the constitution of the seminary, in conformity with which the seminary shall be managed in all its interests, pecuniary, literary, moral, and religious. The board shall present a written statement of their transactions, and of the state of the seminary, at each stated meeting of the convention, which shall be subject to their approval.

ART. VI. Ministers of the gospel in any of our churches, needing aid in the more necessary parts of learning, and unable to attend at the institution, may be furnished with a supply of the most useful books, from the general fund for education purposes.

ART. VII. Regular yearly contributions will be expected from the constituent bodies, in union, for the accomplishment of the important purposes here contemplated ; and the right of conducting the business of the fund will be considered as vested, exclusively in the representatives of bodies which do regularly contribute. And that satisfaction may be given to the contributors, that their contributions are faithfully applied, a just and clear statement shall be published annually by the board, both with respect to moneys received and expended. All moneys specially appropriated, shall be sacredly applied to the object designated. But where any contributions or bequests are made without any specific designation, discretion in their application shall be exercised by the convention, or its board of agents.

ART. VIII. The Treasurer shall take charge of all moneys and specialties belonging to the convention, and keep separate accounts of the amounts contributed for different objects ; and render regular accounts of them to the convention at its stated meetings ; and also to the board when called upon so to do. He shall be elected by this convention at its stated meeting, and shall hold his office until the last day of the next meeting, and until another shall be elected, and give bond, and enter upon the duties of his office. For the faithful discharge of this trust, he shall give bond and security to this convention in such sum of money as they may from time to time direct. He shall pay no money out of the funds but by the order of the convention or board, signed by the presiding officer. And should the said office become vacant by death, resignation, or removal, the said vacancy shall be filled by an election by the board of agents ; and the person so elected by the board, shall hold his office until the next stated meeting of the convention, and until another shall be elected, give bond and security, and enter upon the duties of his office. And the Treasurer so elected shall give bond, and do all the duties required, and in the same manner as if elected by the convention.

ART. IX. The convention may use its discretion in having either an annual or biennial meeting. But in cases of important concern, and especially when the arrangement for a biennial meeting has been made, the President may, at the instance of the board, call an earlier meeting.

ART. X. Any alteration which experience may prove to be necessary, may be made in these rules, by the concurring vote of two thirds of the members present, at an annual or biennial meeting.

LIST OF THE MEMBERS
OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

- 1 JONATHAN DAVIS, *President.*
- 2 NICHOLAS W. HODGES, *Vice President.*
- 3 JAMES C. FURMAN, *Secretary.*
- 4 MARMADUKE T. MENDENHALL, *Treasurer.*
- 5 ABRAHAM D. JONES,
- 6 IVESON L. BROOKES,
- 7 JOHN B. O'NEALL,
- 8 JOHN K. M'IVER,
- 9 JOSIAH B. FURMAN,
- 10 WILLIAM B. JOHNSON,
- 11 BASIL MANLY,
- 12 HENRY BAILEY,
- 13 AMAZIAH RICE,
- 14 RICHARD FULLER,
- 15 NATHAN L. GRIFFIN,
- 16 JOHN W. LEWIS,
- 17 DARLING PEEPLES,
- 18 SAMSON H. BUTLER,
- 19 ALEXANDER J. LAWTON,
- 20 JENNINGS O'BANNON,
- 21 MATTHEW MIMS,
- 22 ZEBULON RUDULPH, *sen.*
- 23 JAMES MOBLEY,
- 24 JOSEPH GRISHAM,
- 25 CHARLES M. FURMAN,
- 26 JAMES M. CHILES.

To serve until December, 1839.

LIST OF THE
BOARD OF AGENTS,
FOR THIS YEAR.

W. B. JOHNSON,	N. W. HODGES,
B. MANLY,	A. D. JONES,
J. DAVIS,	M. T. MENDENHALL,
A. J. LAWTON,	W. E. BAILEY.
